



# HOLLISTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### Hollister Police Arrest Man for Child Molestation



HOLLISTER, CALIFORNIA – March 15, 2010– On March 11, 2010 Hollister Police Officers arrested Michael Reyes (56), a member of the Mongols motorcycle gang, for multiple charges of rape, child molestation and aggravated sexual assault.

The crimes were first brought to the attention of the Hollister Police Department on March 10. The victim reported multiple sexual assaults that occurred over an approximate ten-year period in several jurisdictions, including the cities of Hollister, Morgan Hill and Los Banos. Reyes, who fled from investigators attempting to contact him on March 10, turned himself in at the Hollister Police Department the following day.

Reyes was booked into San Benito County Jail for 269(A)(1) PC – Aggravated sexual assault of a minor, 288.5(A) PC – Continued sexual abuse of minor and at least 20 counts of 261(A) PC – Rape by force/fear. Bail was set at \$1,100,000. Reyes is an admitted member of the Mongols Motorcycle Club, a known biker gang, having served at one time as president of a local chapter.

The Hollister Police Department is still actively investigating this case. Anyone with information regarding is requested to contact Detective Don Pershall at 636-4330. Persons wishing to remain anonymous may call **WeTIP** at **(800) 78-CRIME**. Information provided to **WeTIP** may qualify for a reward.

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